

Glenburn Orono Veazie Regionalization Planning Committee

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Commissioner Susan Gendron Department of Education 23 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0023

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During the past three months, Glenburn, Orono, and Veazle regional planning committees (RPC) have been meeting every week. A typical agenda (May 7th, enclosed) includes public comment, committee work, and questions/comments from the RPC. We continue to make progress in our committee work.

The Governance/Education committee has been working on the governance structure of the new RSU Board of Directors and presented their recommendations at our meeting on June 4th. The committee will consider questions raised by RPC members at our next meeting on June 11th. This committee hosted Dr. Gordon Donaldson at a recent meeting and received good input concerning the education portion of the plan.

The Assets/Liabilities/Personnel committee has made much progress. The committee has completed Section 7, surveyed the towns of Glenburn, Orono, and Veazie on what each does for the other in regards to school use agreements, general school grounds maintenance, accounting services, etc. All three towns are in the process of preparing survey maps and language in anticipation of the transfer of property to the new RSU.

The Finance/Transition/Cost Sharing Committee has made progress in detailing an equitable financial relationship among the schools in the new RSU. At a recent meeting, this committee invited Jake Clockadile to speak with the entire RPC about preparing the financial plan. He then met with this committee, answering their questions and providing guidance.

We continue to have excellent meeting facilitation by Mary Jane McMalmon. She has been a very good resource for us as we navigate the RSU formation process. We are attaching to this correspondence, copies of minutes from our last 5 meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled in Veazie on June 11th. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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